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- 1. A method for identifying a far-end modem type, comprising: transmitting a V.8 ANS<sub>am</sub> tone to the far-end modem;
- receiving a response signal from the far-end modem in response to the transmitted V.8 ANS<sub>am</sub> tone; and

determining from the response signal whether the far-end modem is a commercial modem or a secure modem.

- The method of claim 1, wherein determining whether the far-end modem is a commercial modem or a secure modem comprises determining whether the far-end modem is a V.series modem or an FSVS modem.
- 3. The method of claim 2, wherein determining whether the far-end modem is a commercial modem or a secure modem comprises: determining whether the response signal is a V.8 CM tone; and if the response signal is a V.8 CM tone, determining that the far-end modem as a V.8 modem.
- 20 4. The method of claim 1, wherein determining whether the far-end modem is a commercial modem or a secure modem comprises:

determining whether the response signal has a nominal frequency of about 1800 Hz; and

if the response signal has a nominal frequency of about 1800 Hz, determining from the response signal whether the far-end modem is a V.32 modem or a secure modem.

- 5. The method of claim 4, wherein determining whether the far-end modem is a V.32 modem or a secure modem comprises:
- determining whether the response signal includes phase shifts; and if the response signal does not include phase shifts, determining

  that the far-end modem is a V.32 modem.
  - 6. The method of claim 4, wherein determining whether the far-end modem is a V.32 modem or a secure modem comprises:

determining whether the response signal includes phase shifts; and
if the response signal includes phase shifts, determining that the farend modem is a secure modem.

- 7. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

  determining from the response signal, an operational mode of the

  15 far-end modem.
  - 8. The method of claim 7, wherein determining the operational mode of the far-end modem comprises:

determining whether the response signal includes phase reversals;

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if the response signal includes phase reversals, determining that the far-end modem is an FSVS modem in alternate mode.

9. The method of claim 7, wherein determining the operational mode of the far-end modem comprises:

determining whether the response signal includes a 128 dibit gap;

if the response signal includes a 128 dibit gap, determining that the far-end modem is an FSVS modem in half-duplex mode.

10. The method of claim 7, wherein determining the operational mode of the far-end modem comprises:

determining whether the response signal includes phase reversals; determining whether the response signal includes a 128 dibit gap;

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if the response signal does not include phase reversals or a 128 dibit gap, determining that the far-end modem is an FSVS modem in interoperable mode.

10 11. A method for determining a far-end modem type, comprising: transmitting to the far-end modem a P1800 Hz tone with phase reversals;

receiving a response signal from the far-end modem in response to the transmitted P1800 Hz tone; and

- determining from the response signal whether the far-end modem is a commercial modem or a secure modem.
  - 12. The method of claim 11, wherein determining from the response signal whether the far-end modem is a commercial modem or a secure modem comprises:

determining whether the far-end modem is a V.32 modem or a secure modem.

13. The method of claim 12, wherein determining whether the far-end modem is a V.32 modem or a secure modem comprises:

determining whether the response signal includes a V.32 AC; and if the response signal includes a V.32 AC, determining that the farend modem is a V.32 modem.

- 14. The method of claim 11, further comprising:

  determining whether the response signal includes an FSVS

  Message A; and
- if the response signal includes an FSVS Message A, determining that the far-end modem is an FSVS modem in alternate signaling mode.
  - The method of claim 11, further comprising:determining whether the response signal includes a V.32 AC;determining whether the response signal includes an FSVS
- 10 Message A; and

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if the response signal includes neither a V.32 AC nor an FSVS Message A, determining that the far-end modem is an FSVS modem in interoperable mode.

- 15 16. The method of claim 11, further comprising:

  monitoring an incoming channel for energy at 2100 Hz; and

  if 2100 Hz energy is present in the incoming channel for at least
  about one second, then determining whether the far-end modem is a V.32

  compliant commercial modem or a secure modem in interoperable mode or

  20 alternate mode.
  - 17. A method for determining a far-end modem type, comprising:
    monitoring an incoming channel for the presence of any of 1800 Hz
    energy or 2100 Hz energy;
  - if 1800 Hz energy is present in the incoming channel for at least about one second, then determining that the far-end modem is a secure modem in half-duplex mode; and
    - if 2100 Hz energy is present in the incoming channel for at least about one second, then determining whether the far-end modem is a V.32 modem or a secure modem in interoperable mode or alternate mode.

- 18. The method of claim 17, further comprising:
  monitoring the incoming channel for the presence of a V.8 ANS<sub>am</sub>
  tone; and
- if a V.8 ANS<sub>am</sub> tone is present in the incoming channel, then determining that the far-end modem is a V.8 modem.
  - 19. A computer-readable medium having stored thereon computer executable instructions for performing a method for identifying a far-end modem type, comprising:
- transmitting a V.8 ANS<sub>am</sub> tone to the far-end modem;
  receiving a response signal from the far-end modem in response to
  the transmitted V.8 ANS<sub>am</sub> tone; and

determining from the response signal whether the far-end modem is a commercial modem or a secure modem.

- 20. A computer-readable medium having stored thereon computer executable instructions for performing a method for identifying a far-end modem type, comprising:
- transmitting to the far-end modem a P1800 Hz tone with phase 20 reversals;

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- receiving a response signal from the far-end modem in response to the transmitted P1800 Hz tone; and
- determining from the response signal whether the far-end modem is a commercial modem or a secure modem.